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PLEASE DO NOT WEAKEN THE INDIANA TELEPHONE PRIVACY LAW IN ANY WAY!

The Indiana Telephone Privacy Law is one of the best laws passed in my lifetime. Everyone is supposed to be entitled to quiet and peaceful enjoyment in his/her home. When companies are allowed to make unwanted sales calls, it violates this right. As we are all aware, there is no good time for one of these calls for many reasons. For example, I may have just gotten my baby to sleep for a much needed nap, or I may work nights and sleep during the day, or I may be in the middle of cooking dinner. Regardless of the reason, it is more than a little bit annoying to be called by a salesperson at my home. It is downright disruptive and maddening!

By the time I drop what I'm doing and rush to the phone only to find out it is an unwanted sales call, I am so mad I wish I could reach through the phone and strangle the caller!

And I am most certainly NEVER going to buy anything from someone over the phone. As a matter of fact, I will avoid ever buying anything again from a company that invades my privacy in this manner.

There is absolutely no need for companies to be able to telemarket to anyone on the no-call list. Consumers are trapped because without a home phone they put their family at risk if there is an emergency requiring a 911 call or a family member needs to call the house for help to report vital news. We should have the right to say that we do not want sales calls disrupting our home lives.

Thank You.